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DR K. B. MENON :—" What is the total allotment for extension of electricity to rural areas for this year in the Five-Year Plan and what is the actual amount available? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

SRI K. VARADACHARI :—" May I ask, Sir, whether power supply will be continued after 1st October in the Chittoor district? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Yes, Sir."

Primary schools in South Kanara.

* 1097 Q.—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) how many villages in South Kanara district are not having even primary schools; and

(b) if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter of providing at least elementary schools to those villages?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) It has been reported to Government that there are 54 schoolless villages with a population of 500 and above in the South Kanara district. No figures are available in respect of villages with a population of less than 500.

" (b) The Government are encouraging in all possible ways the opening of schools by private agencies and by the district boards."

SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL :—" Is it a fact that the Government have issued an order not to open new schools?"

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" No, Sir."

SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI :—" Will the Government consider the desirability of increasing the grants given to private managements and to teachers under private managements so that many aided schools may spring up? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" The question of revision of grants to elementary school teachers is under consideration, Sir."

Alleged detention of Krishnan Nayar, an auto-rickshaw driver, in Kozhikode.

* 1098 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have received any representation or complaints in 1953 about one auto-rickshaw driver of Kozhikode, Krishnan Nair by name, having been wrongfully detained in the Kozhikode Government Lunatic Asylum at the instance of the District Medical Officer, Kozhikode, and if so, what action has been taken against the District Medical Officer?